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SUBJECT: OFFICIAL PLO RESPONSE TO ASSAD'S REMARK

1. IN FIRST OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO PRESIDENT ASSAD'S AUGUST 29 REMARKS IMPLYING ARAB LEAGUE MIGHT BE ABLE TO REPRESENT PLO AT GENEVA, PALESTININA NEWS AGENCY Wafa ON AUGUST 31 ISSUED FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN ARABIC. "A RESPONSIBLE INFORMATION SOURCE IN THE PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION DECLARED THAT NO OFFICIAL IN THE PALESTINIAN REVOLUTION HAS MADE ANY COMMENT ON PRESIDENT ASSAD'S DECLARATIONS EITHER NEGATIVELY OR POSITIVELY."

2. COMMENT. PLO WOULD DOUBTLESS BE RELUCTANT TO OFFEND ASSAD BY OUTRIGHT REJECTION IN ALMOST ANY CIRCUMSTANCES. NEVERTHELESS, PLO'S EQUIVOCAL RESPONSE MAY MEAN THAT AT LEAST SOME PALESTINIAN LEADERS DO NOT WANT TO CLOSE DOOR ON SOMETHING LESS THAN FULL REPRESENTATION AT GENEVA. SOME FLEXIBILITY ON THIS ISSUE WAS SHOWN BY FAROUK KADDOUMI IN INTERVIEW CARRIED IN AUGUST 15 ISSUE OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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MONDAY MORNING (SEE BEIRUT 3995). KADDOUMI IMPLIED THAT PLO WOULD NOT REQUIRE SEPARATE SEATING IN GENEVA BUT WOULD DEMAND SEPARATE INVITATION. HE SAID PALESTINIAN REPRESENTATION "CAN BE SETTLED EASILY AMONG ARABS," BUT "WE INSIST" THAT INVITATION TO ATTEND BE "DIRECTED TO PLO DIRECTLY". END COMMENT.
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